



# DIVINE SERVICE

## Setting Three

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### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*HYMN OF INVOCATION may be sung.*

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*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**[P]** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**[C]** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

**[P]** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*[Hebrews 10:22]*

**[P]** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**[C]** who made heaven and earth.

*Psalm 124:8*

**[P]** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**[C]** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Psalm 32:5*

*neel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**[P]** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**[C]** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**[P]** Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**[C]** O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit. *[John 20:19-23]*
- C** Amen.

**Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

- P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

*Mark 16:16; John 1:12*

- C** Amen.

*Stand*

  
*Sola Gratia*  


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 GRACE ALONE